## **REMARKS**

Applicant respectfully requests that the foregoing amendments be made prior to examination of the present application.

Claims 1-16 are being canceled and claims 17-49 are being added. Claims 17-49 correspond to canceled claims 1-16 redrafted, in substantial part, to conform with US patent practice.

This amendment adds, changes and/or deletes claims in this application. A detailed listing of all claims that are, or were, in the application, irrespective of whether the claim(s) remain under examination in the application, is presented, with an appropriate defined status identifier.

Applicant believes that the present application is now in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration of the application as amended is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is felt that a telephone interview would advance the prosecution of the present application.

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